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Conan derails NBC's plans for late-night

TV Conan O'Brien has refused to play along with NBC's plan to move The Tonight Show and return Jay Leno to late-night, abruptly disturbing the network's effort to resolve its scheduling mess.

O'Brien said in a statement yesterday that shifting Tonight will "seriously damage what I consider to be the greatest franchise in the history of broadcasting," and he expressed disappointment that NBC had given him less than a year to establish

himself as host at 11:35 p.m. EST. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Conan



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Top left: Edeline B. Clermont weeps in the Little Haiti area of Miami yesterday as she talks to her sister after both were unable to contact relatives in Haiti after hearing news about the 7.0-magnitude earthquake that shook the island. Top right: Collapsed floors are seen on a damaged multi-storey building in Port-au-Prince yesterday. Bottom right: People carry an injured person after the earthquake. Bottom left: L.A. County Fire Urban Search and Rescue Task Force 2 prepares for possible deployment to Haiti at the California Task Force 2 warehouse in Los Angeles yesterday.

Quake hits Haiti

Officials report collapsed buildings, bodies in streets

The largest earthquake yet recorded in the area rocked Haiti yesterday, collapsing a hospital where people screamed for help and heavily damaging the National Palace, UN peacekeeper headquarters and other buildings.

U.S. officials reported bodies in the streets and an aid official described "total disaster and chaos.'

United Nations officials said hours after the 7.0magnitude quake struck at 4:53 p.m. that they still couldn't account for a large number of UN personnel.

Communications were

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widely disrupted, making it impossible to get a full picture of damage as powerful aftershocks shook a desperately poor country where many buildings are flimsy. Electricity was out in some

Karel Zelenka, a Catholic

Relief Services representative in Port-au-Prince, told colleagues before phone service failed that "there must be thousands of people dead," according to a spokeswoman for the aid group, Sara Fajardo.

"He reported that it was just total disaster and chaos, that there were clouds of dust surrounding Port-au-Prince," Fajardo said.

An Associated Press videographer saw the wrecked hospital in Petionville, a hillside Portau-Prince district that is home to many diplomats

and wealthy Haitians, as well as many poor people. Elsewhere in the capital,

a U.S. government official reported seeing houses that had tumbled into a ravine.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Canada stands ready to provide any necessary assistance to the peo-ple of Haiti "during this time of need."

Foreign Affairs Minister Cannon said Lawrence about 6,000 Canadians are believed to be living and working in Haiti, but there were no initial reports of any Canadians injured.

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Committee OK's funds for music centre

ARTS It's music to the ears of many in the arts community — one step closer to a \$25-million City of Calgary commitment to a national music centre.

The community and protective services committee yesterday unanimously rubber-stamped the city's contribution, which will see the area surrounding the historic King Eddy transformed into a worldclass cultural centre.

"We got an ecstatic endorsement today from city council," said Andrew Mosker, executive director of the Cantos Music Foundation, the group behind

the East Village project. The planned 80,000square-foot facility will house the Cantos Music Collection, the Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame Collection and provide for recording studios, a music and wellness research centre, radio broadcasting space, and an artists-in-residence program.

Although final approval from council is needed Jan. 25, Mosker doesn't anticipate any further hurdles. He also isn't worried about funding being jeopardized, as it has ties to the provincial Municipal Sustainability Initiative program.

"The endorsement that we've had from the province and the city have concluded us to believe that they see the value of this project," said Mosker.

Funding must still be secured from the provincial and federal governments for the estimated \$94-million project. DARREN KRAUSE/

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Oilsands not the only offender?

Alberta's oilsands shouldn't be singled out as the reason for the country's poor record on greenhouse gas emissions, the Conference Board of Cana da said in a report yesterday. The Ottawa-based private-sector think-tank said road transportation accounted for 18 per cent of total Canadian greenhouse-gas emissions in 2007 — three times more than the oilsands, the report said.



News in brief

FUGITIVE Edmonton police arrested a violent fugitive who was thought to be in the Calgary area. Curtis Dale Hill was arrested when he was pulled over at a traffic stop with five other people. Hill is charged with breaching his conditions and obstruction.

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Igniting a love of reading

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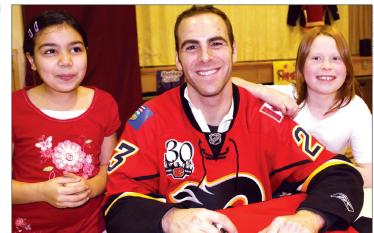
Dozens of Roland Michener School students from grades 4, 5 and 6 were visited by Calgary Flames players Robyn Regehr, Eric Nystrom and David Moss for the launch of the Flames Reading...Give it a Shot program yesterday.

Flames forward Nystrom believes the initiative is important for young kids who may not enjoy reading.

"It's always nice when you have the opportunity to make a difference in some kids' lives, and maybe some of these kids just need some outside influences," Nystrom said.

"It's nice on a bad day to dive into a good book and take away your stresses. I know sometimes on road games it's nice to be able to do that," he added.

It was the 11th year the



Calgary Flame forward Eric Nystrom takes a break from hockey to spend some time with Roland Michener School students Avah Assad, left, and Madison Fletcher during the Flames Reading...Give it a Shot program launch vesterday.

program was in place, but a first for the students at Roland Michener. Principal Mike Hebenton said the visit meant the world to the students.

"Some of our students don't like to read a whole lot if they don't have a reason outside of curriculum, so any outside influence is appreciated, especially from role models like the Flames," he said.

Har-Student Henry wardt, 11, was excited to meet the Flames and get autographs, but also said he would read more because the Flames do.

"I just think it's really cool to get to see them and ask them questions," he

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United Way breaks '09 fundraising goal with \$49.6M raised

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Astounding. Tremendous. Amazing. Wonderful.

Those were just a few words tossed around yesterday as United Way Calgary announced a \$49.6million achievement for the 2009 campaign, which was more than their both goal of \$47 million and the 2008 numbers.

"When we began this campaign, we knew there

would be challenges with the economy, but Calgarians really came through like Calgarians do," campaign co-chair Art Korpach

United Way Calgary president Ruth Ramsden-Wood said she was inspired by the way Calgarians stepped up to the challenge.
"This is a wow number.

We are all over the moon, she said, adding the real winners are hundreds of organizations and thousands of Calgarians the agency helps.



Kristen, 15, and her youth worker Bobby Narcisse, of the Aspen Youth Matters program, are among the Calgarians that benefit from United Way

Aspen Youth Matters support worker Bobby Narcisse said he has seen 15year-old Kristen transform from a shy and secluded child into a role model for other youth through funds raised by United Way.

"I would just sit in my room and be a couch potato if it weren't for this program. It's helped me to be able to interact with people," Kristen said, adding she also got involved with swimming and skating in the Special Olympics because of the program.



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No charges in traffic death

Police say no charges will be laid in the death of a man who was struck and killed by a car while jaywalking in Inglewood last Thursday. Police say Sean Avery Fox, 34, was crossing at an unsafe spot. METRO CALGARY

News in brief

WANTED Sheldon David Marcellus, 30, of Calgary is wanted on 17 charges in connection with two December incidents, including an alleged hit and run and alleged kidnapping. Police say

Marcellus may be in possession of a stolen vehicle. He is described as five-foot-seven and 150 pounds with a medium build, brown hair and brown eyes.

LOST AND FOUND Calgary po-

lice issued a warning yesterday after Ranjit Singh, 30, left the Foothills Medical Centre Psychiatry Unit. Singh was later found exiting a store in Strathmore. Police had warned that Singh could be a danger to himself and the public. METRO CALGARY

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3. Shawn Tschritter	AB, CA	593	231	340	571
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7. Cole Warren	NS, CA	584	206	359	565
7. Jonathon Gremsperger	BC, CA	599	241	324	565
9. Feroz Mir	ON, CA	594	224	334	558
9. Steve Ferguson	ON, CA	593	235	323	558
11. Tom Collier	NS, CA	608	252	305	557
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12. Stephen Stille	ON, CA	592	234	321	555
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Txt ur tips 2 Crime Stoppers

Organization's Calgary branch embraces mobile technology

KRISTA SYLVESTER

Tuning into new technology, Calgary Crime Stoppers will now be accepting anonymous crime tips through text messaging

Although cities such as Toronto and Vancouver have had the new avenue for a year or two now. Calgary just recently acquired proper software to conceal texters' identities, according to Crime Stoppers president Terry Hath-

"The teens that live in my house live for their cellphones and are constantly texting. We think it's important to be current with technology and what people are using," Hathaway said, adding they have already received tips through text this

week.
"I think people will really pick up on this and we expect it will get going right away. Now people can text, call or go online,



Crime Stoppers is hoping more crime tips will come in, with a new text-based anonymous reporting system now in place.

all anonymously.

Hathaway thinks the new avenue may appeal more to a younger demographic, but acknowledges almost everyone carries

"But the younger generation probably text a lot more than us older ones," he added.

Calgarian Chris Hodgins, 27, thinks the concept is appropriate given modern technology.

"I think it's a good idea to open up the lines of communication as much

as you can," he added.

Texters will be given aliases to protect their identity and tips through text are still eligible for a \$2,000 reward. To report a crime to Crime Stoppers type TTTTips and your message to 274637.



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A new study shows an increasingly popular treatment used by elite athletes to speed healing doesn't work better than a placebo when it comes to tendon injuries. The injected treatment, called platelet-rich plasma or PRP, has been used by a range of athletes. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Canada



The Beaver to change its name

After 90 years, venerable history magazine The Beaver is getting a new moniker, in part because of the sexual connotation of its name. The Winnipeg-based publication will be relaunched in the spring as Canada's History. The innuendo of the old name was causing problems for the magazine online, said Deborah Morrison, president and CEO of Canada's National History Society, which publishes The Beaver.

Ottawa puts airlines on high terror alert

New security warnings since the alleged terrorist attempt to bomb an American airliner on Christmas Day led Ottawa to put airlines and carriers on high alert on the weekend, Transport Minister John Baird said yesterday.

Canadians must remain vigilant while travelling by air amid these new warnings, he added.

"There's specific information that certainly causes me concern, causes our security officials concern, and I think we need to maintain heightened vigilance in this time," said Baird, speaking in Toronto after an unrelated funding announcement.

"We don't want panic. At the same time, I think the

Body scanners

 Ottawa plans to install dozens of scanners that can peer through clothing at airports across Canada as part of a watch system that will be set up to look for suspicious pas-

public would expect us, when there's a reasonable concern, to be open and honest about that heightened concern."

Baird wouldn't discuss the specifics of the threats that led Transport Canada to put all airlines and carriers on high alert late Saturday, but he said it didn't relate to any kind of imminent attack.

"It's at medium level, this is not anything like 9sengers and tab them for further screening. The scanners will first be installed in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Halifax.

11, but obviously information that we received is a concern," Baird said.

"We can't lower our guard."

The government has no immediate plans to accelerate the deployment of full-body scanners at airports as a result of the warnings, Baird added, saying heightened security measures are already underway.

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B.C. Soldier mourned



Sian Jones LeSueur, mother of Pte. Garrett Chidley, is seen receiving a hug at the start of her son's funeral in Surrey, B.C., yesterday. Chidley was killed by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan with three other soldiers and a Canadian reporter.

News in brief

ARCTIC SPY The CIA normally concerns itself with terrorism and other threats to U.S. security, so the recent revelation that it is routinely monitoring the Arctic's rapidly shrinking ice cap, and now sharing spy satel-

lite photos with climate-change scientists, caught some by surprise. The little-known CIA program has been restarted after being shuttered by the George W. Bush administration for several years. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Feds looking to recruit workers

IMMIGRATION Prime Minister Stephen Harper says Canada will actively recruit immigrants to fill the looming worker shortage fuelled in large part by baby boomers leaving the workforce.

Harper says it's not enough just to tackle the backlog of immigration applications, Canada must seek out immigrants to fill the vacant positions resulting from an improved economy and the hole left by older workers.

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Palin makes Fox debut with Bill O'Reilly

Sarah Palin debuted as a Fox News Channel commentator on last night's edition of The O'Reilly Factor. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World



First lady extols benefits of garden

To Michelle Obama, her White House garden is more than a plot of land. It's also a soapbox. The South Lawn garden has given the U.S. first lady a platform to speak out about the country's childhood obesity problem, extol the benefits of eating fresh food, and teach children early to appreciate vegetables. The garden now is winterized, fitted with a kind of temporary green house, to help keep various crops — spinach, cauliflower, lettuce, carrots, cabbage and other greens — growing during the cold months.

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Rare map goes on display

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WASHINGTON A rarely seen 400-year-old map that identified Florida as "the Land of Flowers" and put China at the centre of the world went on display yesterday at the U.S. Library of Congress.

The map created by Mattee Ricci was the first in Chinese to show the Americas. Ricci, a Jesuit missionary from Italy, was among the first westerners to live in what is now Beijing in the early 1600s. The map's description of North America mentions "humped oxen" or bison, wild horses and a region named "Ka-na-ta."

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Door left open for manslaughter claim in abortion doctor's death

A U.S. judge has again refused to block a confessed abortion clinic killer from arguing in court that he should be spared a murder conviction because he believed he was saving unborn children.

Judge Warren Wilbert dealt prosecutors a setback during a hearing yesterday. He said that until the defence decides which evidence it will present, it's difficult for him to rule out Scott Roeder's proposed defence claim in the killing of Dr. George Tiller in Wichita,

Violence supporter

• The Rev. Don Spitz of Chesapeake, Va., who runs a website supporting violence against abortion providers, said he was astonished by the ruling, "but in a good way."

Kansas, last May.

Jury selection for Roeder's trial is expected to begin to-day. He is charged with first-degree murder. The Kansas Supreme Court was considering a challenge from four media outlets, including The Associated Press, over the judge's decision to bar

reporters from witnessing jury selection.

Wilbert had decided last week he would allow the 51-year-old Roeder — who admits killing Tiller — to build a defence case calling for a lesser charge of voluntary manslaughter.

Kansas law defines volun-

tary manslaughter as "an unreasonable but honest belief" that there were circumstances to justify deadly force.

It could bring a prison sentence closer to five years, instead of a life term for first-degree murder. The ruling last week changed what had been expected to be a simple case — with the defendant's confession and more than 250 possible witnesses for the prosecution — and galvanized both sides of the abortion debate.

UN worried about racism in Italy

IMMIGRATION UN human rights officials said yesterday that they were worried about Italy's deeprooted racism against migrants following clashes in a southern town between African farmworkers, residents and police. Hundreds of Africans fled the farm town of Rosarno in trains, cars and caravans of buses arranged by authorities. Their departure came after two days of violence that erupted last week when two migrants were shot with a pellet gun in an attack they blamed on racism.

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Britain bans Islamic extremist group

LONDON The British government banned an Islamist group notorious for glorifying al-Qaida and tied to terror plots at home and abroad, but its Lebanon-based spiritual leader promised to reorganize under a different name.

The group, Islam4UK, will be banned starting tomorrow after its British leader, Anjem Choudary, threatened to bring hundreds of people marching in protest through the streets of a small market town known for honouring British soldiers killed in Afghanistan.

The group, previously known as Al-Muhajiroun, was banned before only to change its name and resurface again. Al-Muhajiroun, which means "The Emigrants" in Arabic, catapulted to notoriety shortly after Sept. 11, 2001, when it or

ganized an event celebrating the airline hijackers who slaughtered thousands in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania.

The group and its founder Omar Bakri became among the most aggressive voices of radical Islam in Britain. Officials have said that Omar Khan Sharif, who attempted to blow himself up at an Israeli bar in 2003, was associated with al-Muhajiroun.

So too was Mohammed Junaid Babar, a Pakistaniborn al-Qaida member turned FBI informant. Members of the terrorist cell behind the July 7, 2005 London transit bombings and those convicted in 2007 of plotting to set off explosions across southern England using fertilizer-based explosions across southern England using fertilizer-based explosions.

India Prostesting attacks in Australia



Student activists protest attacks on Indian students in Australia in front of the Australian Embassy in New Delhi yesterday. India has asked Australia to take immediate steps to curb violence against its citizens there, warning recent attacks could affect relations between the two countries.

Snub exposes rift with Israel, Turkey

MIDDLE EAST Israel publicly snubbed Turkey's ambassador over his country's persistent criticism of the Jewish state, with an official refusing to shake the envoy's hand and making him sit on a lower seat at a meeting Monday. Turkey's ties with Israel have been strained by Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan's fierce criticism of Israel's use of force against Palestinians. Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister Danny Avalon criticized a Turkish TV drama depicting Israeli security forces as kidnapping children and shooting old THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Business

Canadian investment law flawed: U.S. Steel

An American steel compa ny says legislation governing foreign investment in Canada is "essentially flawed" because it doesn't define how an investor can justify failure to meet promises made to the government.

U.S. Steel was in Federal Court yesterday, arguing that a case against it should be thrown out due to the legal flaws in the Investment Canada Act.

The federal government said the company failed to adequately justify its failure to meet employment and production promises it made when it bought the former Stelco. But U.S. Steel lawyer

Michael Barrack told court

Challenge

 U.S. Steel's constitutional challenge to the Investment Canada Act is the first since it was adopted 24 years ago. A federal review is required any time a Canadian company with assets of more than \$312 million is bought by a foreign entity.

that the act doesn't explain what constitutes an adequate justification.

"That's where the imprecision and vagueness of the statute is," Barrack said.

"How do I justify its non-compliance? How do I avoid having the government come and force me

to sell my property? How do I behave in an acceptable way?"

The company's constitutional challenge of the act rests on the premise that the act is quasi-criminal in nature because of the penalties it imposes on a foreign investor that fails to meet its promises, but doesn't afford the investor all the rights allowed in a criminal case.

For example, Barrack argued that U.S. Steel has not been told by Industry Minister Tony Clement why its 88-page explanation of why the economy prevent-ed it from meeting its promises wasn't enough of a justification under the THE CANADIAN PRESS

Monaco **Seal of approval**



Princess Stephanie of Monaco poses with a seal as she presents the 34th Monte-Carlo International Circus Festival in Monaco, yesterday. As one of the biggest and best-known circuses in the world, it attracts the very best performers from around the globe, featuring astonishing acts ranging from traditional trapeze artists and clowns to a show involving white tigers.

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Business in brief

HOUSING The New Housing Price Index rose 0.4 per cent in November following a 0.3 per cent increase in October. Statistics Canada reports that the monthly real estate index has been steadily increasing since July.

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Miep Gies — a story of courage



uried under this week's news about a monumental ego leaving American Idol was the passing of a monumental human being.

You probably don't need me to tell you who Simon Cowell is. He's a one-man media juggernaut. Miep Gies, on the other hand, was a little old lady. Little, as in barely five feet tall; old, as in 100

Cowell has become one of the richest people in show business by being rude to the poor schlumps who lurch across the Idol stage, pathetically hoping to become a star. Gies lived quietly in a three-room apartment in an obscure town in Holland, but was famous in her own way.

It is my fervent hope that long after Cowell has faded into obscurity, the memory of Miep Gies and her remarkable story will endure.

During the Second World War, Gies made a decision that gave history a little nudge, allowing a tiny voice of goodness to emerge from the immense evil of the Holocaust. Gies and her husband and several others were the non-Jews who decided to risk everything and hide Anne Frank and her family from the Nazi Final Solution. When Anne was captured and transported to the death camps, Gies retrieved and preserved her

diary. When Anne's father, the only surviving member of the Frank family, returned to Amsterdam after the war, Gies gave him the diary; it has gone on to sell more than 30 million copies in 67 languages.

Thanks to Miep Gies, the millions who were murdered by Hitler have a human face. Today, as memories dim and die, good (barely) manages to hold its own in the daily struggle with evil in the insidious form of Holocaust denial - thanks to Miep Gies.

While she spent her life bearing witness to the courage and humanity of Anne Frank, Gies underrated her own courage. "I am not a hero," she said many times. If people see her as a heroine, she feared, they will doubt their own capacity to do what she did. And she did it, she said, because it seemed necessary at the

For most of my life I've wondered what I would consider "necessary" in the same situation. I worry that, like millions, I would have just kept my head down, or

pro-Nazi columns. It's a lot easier to be craven than

But I like to think if a tiny woman, an ordinary secretary, could stand tall and courageous in the face of evil, so could I. Could you? As long as we take heart and remember Miep Gies and her extraordinary story, there's hope for both of us.

Miep Gies died Monday night. She was my hero.

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Word on the street: If life on planets outside our solar system is confirmed, will that alter your spiritual/religious beliefs?

Carl Macdonald

A: I actually don't believe they will ever confirm life on other planets to beain with.

Rody Moldenhauer Calgary

A: I actually believe there is life on other planets so it would just confirm my scientific heliefs.

Ashley Vallette Edmonton

A: No. I'm not religious in any way. I don't believe in a God, I believe in reincarnation.

Hashen **Hamdy** Ottawa

A: It won't change my religious or spir-itual beliefs, but it will change my political belief in that I'll need to conquer them as well.

Ronak Ghorbani

Toronto

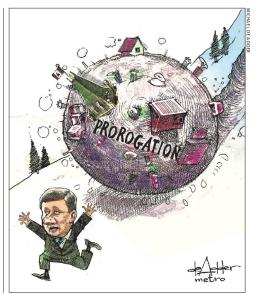
A: No ... I'm an athe ist. For me it would just prove science even more ... I just think that it would further the atheist argument that there is no God beit would that living cause show

Altaf Ledha

Vancouver

A: No. | believe more spiritual than religious, so I keep an open mind ... if something like that happened, it wouldn't





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Vancouver Canucks forward Alexandre Burrows was hit with a fine but avoided a suspension after accusing referee Stephane Auger of slapping him with spiteful penalties. A source close to the situation told The Canadian Press last night that Burrows was fined \$2,500 US after the NHL reviewed the incident. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports



Cujo makes it official

Curtis Joseph, left, the winningest goaltender in National Hockey League history to have never won the Stanley Cup, announced his retirement yesterday. The 42-yearended his 19-year career with 454 wins, trailing only Martin Brodeur (585), Patrick Roy (551) and Ed Belfour (484) for the most in NHL history. "It's a good day and been a great career," an upbeat Joseph said. "I'm extremely happy and certainly felt like I didn't leave anything on the table."

Here's why the Flames should trade Phaneuf



he Dion Phaneuf trade requests and rumours can be denied daily until the March 3 deadline passes. That doesn't mean it won't happen. Here are three reasons I'd trade him

• 1. Phaneuf's market value will never be higher.

Has it been higher? Of course. Back in his first three seasons when he was among leaders in defenceman scoring, was a force with the body and didn't look out of place defending in his own end.

Phaneuf's game has gone downhill since and he's no longer talked about as even a distant candidate for the Norris Trophy.

He isn't even a top three defenceman on the Flames. Most of his miscues are mental lapses and its unlikely he's going to all of a sudden get smarter. Nevertheless, there's a demand for his skills at 24. Trade him now before he gets older and before the rest of the league learns more about

• 2. The Calgary defence is just fine without him.

Sure, he occasionally lays out an opponent with a cruncher, but he's unreliable in his own zone and he doesn't shoot or produce offence nearly as much as he used to. The Flames are



Dion Phaneuf of the Calgary Flames checks Saku Koivu of the Anaheim Ducks at the Honda Center on Nov. 23, 2009.

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The Habs' power play is back atop the league, now if they could only get more opponents to misbehave. Scan this code for the story.

transitioning Mark Giordano into the power-play quarterback and Bouwmeester can capably fill the second spot on the unit. Robyn Regehr, Cory Sarich and Adam Pardy round out the top five and Aaron Johnson and Staffan Kronwall have proven they can play. John Negrin and Matt Pelech have decent upside on the farm. True, it's a huge gamble giving up a big minute muncher on the blue-line going into the playoffs, but it's a calculated risk the Flames must take if they're to bury the demons from playoffs past.

· 3. The need for secondary scoring. Phaneuf still has enough value around the league to generate excellent return in a trade.

And the return is exactly what Calgary needs to get to the next level. Eighteen teams in the NHL score more than Calgary. The lack of secondary scoring will continue to haunt the team until it's addressed or ends the Flames season in April or May.

Could Phaneuf be parlayed into a Vincent Lecavalier or Jason Spezza? Ilya Kovalchuk would be riskier because he's a pending UFA, but imagine the possibilities? Offence would no longer be an issue and the defence would be surprisingly more settled without

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Sports in brief

NBA Two more Washington Wizards players are spending time speaking to authorities about the Gilbert Arenas gun investigation. Coach Flip Saunders said JaVale McGee and Mike Miller were called away yesterday. Saunders and at least seven players have been questioned about what happened with Arenas, who was suspended indefinitely by the NBA last week.

FA CUP Aaron Mokoena headed the winner in the final minute of extra time as Portsmouth came from behind to beat Coventry 2-1 and reach the fourth round of the FA Cup yesterday. Portsmouth, which is banned from signing players during the transfer window because of cash problems which led to the players not getting paid on time, now has a lucrative home game against Sunderland for a place in the last 16.

RUGBY Trailing 5-0 at halftime, the Canadian women's rugby team scored 18 second-half points to defeat the U.S. 18-8 vesterday, Sarah Ulmer and Cheryl Phillips scored tries for Canada, while Anna Schnell kicked eight points through a conversion and two penalties. BASEBALL The perennially frugal Florida Marlins have reached an agreement with the players' union to increase spending in the wake of complaints the team payroll has been so small as to violate baseball's revenue sharing provisions. The deal was announced vesterday in a joint statement by the Marlins, the union and Major League Base-METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Olympic organizers in Vancouver announced further road closures yesterday for a city already bracing for transportation chaos. The most significant addition is the security closure of the Cambie Street bridge, one of the main arteries into the downtown core. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Driven by passion

Love of snowboarding motivates Maëlle Ricker

KRISTEN THOMPSON Metro Canada

Snowboardcross athlete Maëlle Ricker is fast becoming a household name as she is touted as one of Canada's top gold-medal contenders for the 2010 Olympics.

But her drive to be faster and stronger isn't born of a perceived pressure to win a medal, but her simple love of being on the mountain.

"Winning isn't the motivating factor," she said.

"My love of snowboarddrives and motivates

me.
"Sinking into a powder turn, airing out of the pipe, jumping cliffs in the backcountry and riding a race line that's on the edge all the way down a snowboardcross course are the reasons I'm in the start gate.

"I am very excited that I have such good support ..." Maëlle Ricker

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home on top of that · would simply be the cherry on the cake, she said.

Ricker, 31, was 19 when she competed in her first Olympics at the Nagano Games, and just missed a podium finish in snowboardcross in the 2006 Games in Turin.

In December, the native of Squamish, B.C., won her second consecutive women's snowboardcross race this season, bringing her to 28 podium wins including 13 gold medals on the FIS World Cup Tour.

She said she's spending next month snowboarding as much as possible and pushing her level as she knows all her competitors are.

"I am focused on the process of training and competing and doing what I need to do day by day to still have fun and feel like I'm progressing."

Knowing that the country is behind her, she said, is an added bonus.

"I am very excited that I have such good support of Canadians. I still feel like the luckiest person whenever I strap my board to my feet," she said.

"I hope people will watch snowboarding and want to go play in the mountains afterwards. Ultimately it's all about getting active and getting outside."



Maëlle Ricker takes a run during the FIS Snowboardcross World Cup Qualifications on Dec.18, 2009 in Telluride, Colo

Pound's remarks 'irresponsible': Skating official

More traffic restrictions for Vancouver

JUDGES It's irresponsible for Canadian IOC member Dick Pound to say figure skating judges could find themselves in a conflict of interest at the Vancouver Olympics, the head of Skate Canada said yesterday.

"It's clear to me he has not got a complete understanding of how the scoring system works now," William Thompson, Skate Canada's chief executive officer, told The Canadian Press. "Truthfully I think those are irresponsible comments.

Pound said figure skating faces a potential problem because judges are appointed by national federations and not the sport's international governing body.

Pound first made his comments during a speech to a business conference in Whistler, B.C., on Monday night. THE CANADIAN PRESS







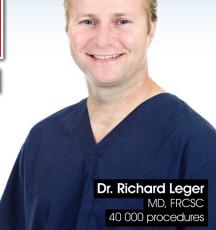




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nervous," Blais said yester-day. "It's going to happen on our team that there are going to be some athletes



Ryan Blais soars through the air during qualifying for the men's aerials event at the World Cup freestyle skiing competition in

Nervous time for athletes still trying to make team

ON THE BUBBLE As the clock ticks down to the opening of the Vancouver Winter Games, time is also slipping away for some athletes battling to earn a berth Canada's Olympic team.

Ryan Blais, a freestyle aerials skier, is one of the athletes on the bubble. He needs good results in the next two World Cup events to earn a spot in Vancouver.

"I'm both anxious and that are podium potential that will not qualify for the team.

"It's the nature of the beast."

The Canadian Freestyle Ski Team won't announce its Olympic selections until Jan. 25, just 17 days before the Games' opening ceremony on Feb. 12. Skate Canada will un-

veil its Olympic team Sunday, following the Canadian championships. Other sports still waiting to name their Olympic athletes include cross-country skiing (Jan. 22); biathlon and snowboard-ing (Jan. 25); ski jumping and nordic combined (Jan. 26); Alpine Canada and bobsled/skeleton (Jan. 27); and biathlon (Ian. 28).

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Ford's display at the 2010 North American International Auto Show in Detroit is the automaker's biggest yet, with more than 54,000 square feet of new vehicle displays, 24 all-new interactive displays, and high-tech presentations including live driving demonstrations inside Cobo Center. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

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e-Tron in Detroit

After revealing an electric sports car based on the R8 at the recent Frankfurt Motor Show, Audi unveiled a second version of this car — called the e-Tron at the Detroit auto show this week. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

Truck redefined

Fuel economy, stylish interior prop Ridgeline

NEIL MOORE for Metro Canada

When somebody says they're "not a truck person," I seldom take this as a snooty response to the idea of driving a "work" vehicle, but see this as one (or all) of three complaints:

- · They've seen the interior of their roofer's stained and cigarette-burned 1978 F-150 and can't imagine being cradled in such 'luxury.'
- · It's hard enough to manoeuvre and park in today's plaza and shopping mall lots without the added chore of finding a berth for the automotive equivalent of a Cunard liner.

2010 Honda Ridgeline

Type: Mid-size pickup Price: from \$34,990 Engine: 3.5-litre, 24-valve, SOHC, VTEC V6 HP: 250 Torque: 247 lb/ft Fuel economy: 14.1/9.8 litres/100 km (city/highway)

Highlights

- Plenty of cargo space
- Superior fuel economy
- Plush interior in higher trims
- · Buck-a-litre gas. Need I say more?

One great way to get around all this is the 2010 Honda Ridgeline.

It's easy to dismiss the notion that current truck interiors don't deliver sedanlike comfort and amenities. especially when checking out some of the "limited" editions that can include power heated leather seats. dual-zone climate control. premium sound systems, navigation and more.

It's difficult, however, to counter the arguments against size and fuel econoespecially when some of today's full-size pickups are approaching and even exceeding 20 feet in length, not to mention slurping buckets of fuel in real world driving.

With these competing factors in mind, I approached the 2010 Honda Ridgeline wondering if it really could do just about any-

thing a car, crossover or half-ton can do.

The 2010 Ridgeline's rugged unibody construction gives it

one-piece exterior.

And after a week behind the wheel, I was not disappointed.

Perhaps the Ridgeline's best-known feature is its lockable and weather-resistant "in-bed trunk" that provides 241 litres of space below the cargo bed. It's surprisingly deep and provides enough space for three golf bags or a large load of groceries.

Throughout the Ridgeline's interior, there are a plethora of bins and cubbies, on the dash, roof liner, doors and between the seats.

Standard safety items indual-stage, clude dualthreshold front airbags,

front side airbags with passenger-side Occupant Position Detection System, side airbags with curtain rollover sensor and a tire pressure monitoring system with location indicators.

The Ridgeline's construction also contributes to its smooth ride, feeling of solidity and its minimum of squeaks and rattles.

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FCX Clarity for Niedermayer

Honda recently delivered a zero-emissions, hydrogen-powered Honda FCX Clarity fuel cell electric vehicle to its latest customer — 2010 Canadian Olympic hockey team captain Scott Niedermayer. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Detroit Auto Show in brief

HYBRIDS There's no reason why Toyota wouldn't one day manufacture hybrids in Canada, especially if its new products prove to be as popular as the Prius, a senior Toyota Canada executive says. "We've said for a long time now we want to move hybrids

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across our lineup, so there's absolutely no reasons why hybrids could not be built in Canada," managing director Stephen Beatty said in a telephone interview from the North American International Auto Show in Detroit.

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The Buick Regal GS concept, left, and the Cadillac CTS-V Coupe were among cars unveiled at the Detroit auto show.

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onsidering how much upheaval there is in the auto industry at present, the 2010 North American International Auto Show, which kicked off Monday in Detroit, is surprisingly sane and upbeat.

No executives ran around like people with hair on

Nor did we see electric vehicles completely take over the show, like gifted kids at a school assembly.

Nor did we see our lousy global economy suck all of the fun out of the room, like a giant anteater crashing an ant party.

The Detroit show auto continues to

The Toyota FT-CH hybrid compact car

efficient vehicle. ... And that will keep the party going on in Detroit, and wherever cars are created and anticipated." be a wondrous thing, and a of its current holding pat-

great window into the North American vehicle market and its numerous storylines.

The "home" team's performance seems to always be the main story line, and GM and Ford were very solid, with many meaty, significant unveils (Ford Focus, Mustang GT, Buick Regal GS Concept, GMC Granite Concept, Cadillac CTS-V Coupe).

Chrysler on the other hand, didn't have an official press conference, indicative tern status until parent, Fiat, helps out with new product. But at least its display was somewhat interesting, with an upside Ram truck stuck on the ceiling, and a re-badged Lancia and an electric Fiat 500 to consider.

Among other reveals, Mercedes-Benz unveiled the show's first concept; some eye candy called "CLS Sculpture," which apparently signals how the brand might move away from its current wedge-like styling, to something more art deco-ish.

Toyota and Honda continue the work hy-

brid angle.

Toyota showed FT-CH, a concept of a compact hybrid it might produce in a years, and Honda showed the production-ready CR-Z, a smaller, lighter and sportier version of its Insight hybrid.

The continued diversification of hybrid and EV offerings, as well as the continued forays into "got-to-havefun" vehicles (like the Mini Beachcomber concept and the Dodge Viper ACR 1:33), prove that major auto shows, like Detroit, are in no danger of becoming irrelevant - we may be moving to different propulsion methods, but the sheet metal we wrap around them will continue to be as diverse as they always have been.

The market has demonstrated that no one is going to settle for one kind of very efficient vehicle. We want our efficiency in every flavour there is... and in flavours yet to be invented. And that will keep the party going on in Detroit, and wherever cars are created and anticipated.

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for over 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his nily and a neglected 1967 Jaquar E-type.

Mustang solid bet

JUSTIN PRITCHARD for Metro Canada

MODEL: 1999 to 2004 Ford Mustang VEHICLE TYPE: Sports coupe

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HISTORY/DESCRIPTION:

1999 saw the introduction of an edgy, chiseled and blocky look that defined the Ford Mustang for some six vears. Many enthusiasts still insist this generation is the most distinctive and attractive Mustang iteration on the road.

This generation 'Stang came in any combination of V6 or V8 power, convertible or coupe body styles, and automatic or manual transmission. The V6-powered automatic Mustang is very common in the used market, while the V8, five-speed stick combo is the most popular with enthusiasts.

This era of Mustang's V6 engine made 190 horsepower, while the rorty V8powered Mustang GT got 260. The latter engine is a

solid, proven and perreliable Gear former. All the 'must-haves' were o on including

board power accessories, cruise control. air conditioning and the like. Some models included an upgraded Shak-



er audio system and power leather seats, too.

WHAT OWNERS LIKE:

Like most enthusiast cars, Mustang owners typically Second gush about the styling, power, sound, character and history of their rides. Most love the 'bang for the buck' offered by the Mustang GT, too. Owners rocking the V8 engine especially love the performance and

inexpensive upgrades while those with the V6 typically say their Mustang is a nice cruising car with decent mileage and performance.

WHAT OWNERS HATE: Numerous Mustang owners have taken to the web to share their ownership stories. Common gripes include an unstable feel when driven in the snow or rain, poor interior build quality, squeaks, rattles, and limited space.

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Getting the books to you

a profile on Dalia Procuta, a Ryerson University book-buyer. Working at different university book stores her whole life, she has some interesting stories to tell of her time spent with the printed page and the written word.

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Working at School

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Information is power and helping students find information can be the most **empowering act of all.** Shawna Sadler, 33, is a

Technology Officer at the University of Calgary who heads the school's upcoming Taylor Family Digital Library. Sadler originally worked as an information architect in the web industry in the late 1990's but got



Librarians now have to be tech savvy and used to fast-paced environments, librarian Shawna Sadler says

trained as a librarian after working at UCal as a support staffer in the school's library system. She shatters the old stereotypes of the bookworm librarian and exemplifies the new paradigm of the tech-savvy, digitallyconscious information manager, digitizing more books than she catalogues and acting as a guide along the information highway rather than a gatekeeper.

"I'm interested in how technology improves the lives of people and the soci-ety they live in. You enable people to improve themselves. It's exciting, it's fun and it's hard but at the end of the day you've helped people," Sadler said.

When some students arrive on campus thinking research begins and ends with Googling something, Sadler takes pride in revealing how an immense wealth of information can be accessed with a variety of methods online and offline.

She says copyright issues still prove some of the biggest challenges in her job because changing laws around information and changing attitudes to acquiring it are often at odds with each other.

"Open, scholarly work is becoming more prominent and our job is to help students find information in all ways possible. Disseminating that information and getting it into the hands of our students is a challenge, it's still a bit of a minefield,"





Dragon Robert Herjavec stands in front of the house he grew up in.

Real-life rags to riches story for this dragon



t sounds like a Hollywood movie: A waiter becomes a salesman, then launches his own company, and becomes a multi-millionaire. But it's no imaginary tale. It's the true story of Robert Herjavec, the youngest Dragon on Dragons' Den.

There's more true drama. Herjavec lived in a ramshackle house with a dirt floor in Croatia til he was 9. Then his family immigrated to Canada. As the opening montage of Dragons' Den illustrates, they came to Canada with just \$20. Today Robert owns one of the biggest houses in Toronto, and regularly jets to a private paradise in Miami.

How did he do it? "I put myself in a position where I could get an opportunity to win," says Herjavec. thinks that's the key to success in the business world - always saying yes to opportunities, even if you're nervous, even if you don't feel quite ready.

He saw his opportunity while working selling "computer stuff," as he describes it. A customer had asked him for a specific security product, so Herjavec tracked it down. When he went to pick it up, the distributor happened to comment that computer security was the business of the future. Herjavec's instinct told him this was right he decided he'd try to capitalize on that trend.

"I named my first company Brak," he says, "because it's the Croatian word for wedding and honeymoon, and my wife and I had just gotten married."

Every dollar the company made he put back into the company, taking as little money as possible for himself. Turned out Internet security did indeed have huge potential. Herjavec sold BRAK Systems ten years ago for \$100 million. He sold his second for \$200 million. LEARN THE REST OF THE STORY

TONIGHT ON DRAGONS' DEN

Dianne Buckner is the host of Dragons' Den and the weekend anchor on the CBC News Network Watch Dragons' Den at 8 p.m. tonight on CBC.

Changing careers still in vogue in 2010

Recent improvements in the economy may have some workers preparing to move to a new job in the new year, with nearly one-in-five workers (19 per cent) reporting they plan to leave their current job in 2010 to find a new one.

Nine per cent said they plan to leave in 2011. This is plan to according to latest Careersurvey among more than 5,200 workers

Many employers were forced to make some tough business decisions in 2009, and may be pushing workers to make some difficult decisions as well. One-in-ten workers (12 per cent) whose companies cut benefits or perks said they would stay at their current jobs for six months or less, while 27 per cent of workers who did not receive a raise or promotion in 2009 said they would leave their current positions in less than a year if they did not receive either. Nearly onein-five (18 per cent) workers who experienced pay cuts said they are willing to stay at their current jobs for

According to a CareerBuilder survev. many employees are fed up with their work o their work situation and are planning on changing careers this year.

Job goals

- Pay: Fifty-seven per cent of workers did not receive a raise last year.
- Career Advancement: Twenty-eight per cent of workers are dissatisfied with the career advancement opportunities at
- current employers.
 Switching Industries: Twenty per cent of workers said they plan to switch careers/fields in the next two years.

only six months or less.

"Many of the decisions employers made last year were designed to preserve the health of their businesses and many survived because of them," said Rosemary Haefner, vice-president of human re-

sources for Career-Builder. "In some cases, workers were affected by the cost cutting measures and job satisfaction levels suffered. For example, 61 per cent of employees said they were satisfied at their jobs last year down from 70 per cent in 2008. Employers should take workers' pulses early on in the new year. That way, they can assess their staff's performance, retention rates and overall happiness." METRO NEWS SERVICES

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La Cité appoints new president

La Cité collégiale announced last month that Lise Bourgeois has been named the Ottawa-based institution's new president. Bourgeois will take on her new position at the end of March. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Cool comfort for Canadians

RAFAEL BRUSILOW for Metro Canada

Despite not being a "brand guy" or having a business degree, Dani Reiss' entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to authenticity has turned famed Canadian jacket manufacturer Canada Goose into a worldwide phenomenon.

Yet Reiss — the relaxed, thoughtful 36-year-old president and CEO of Canada

Goose — never thought in a million years he'd run a company, let alone worry about things like branding.

"I was never a brand guy I used to cut the alligators off my shirts. (Leading a brand) was never some-thing I ever planned on do-ing," Reiss said.

He graduated with a degree in English Literature and wanted to become a writer before his father convinced him to spend a few months working at the fam-



"Authenticity is everything. You can't outsource the meaning behind the product."

Canada Goose CEO Dani Reiss

ily's production plant. Before long he was hooked and he took over the business in 1997 and immediately focused on making the story of Canada Goose into the story of Canada itself - after all, if a jacket is warm enough to survive the Canadian winter it's probably warm enough to survive anything, he figured.

Consumers agreed and the brand, started in 1957, has grown by leaps and bounds since Reiss took over the reins, now selling more than 600,000 jackets every year and employing more than 400 people.

For many winter wanderers around the world, Canada Goose jackets are synonymous with warmth and quality, and Reiss believes a big part of that is because the company's iconic downfilled jackets are still made right here in Canada.

While other clothing manufacturers have long since outsourced produc-tion to Asia, Canada Goose has kept all of its production within Canada, not only as a point of pride but as a crucial part of maintaining the brand's credibility with consumers, Reiss says. "Authenticity is every-



Dani Reiss surviving the bitter cold of Greenland in one of his company's down-filled jackets.

thing. You can't outsource the meaning behind the product. I'd like to think that 'Made in Canada' is going to see a renaissance and

if it does we'd like to think we were a part of that because we've taken a very strong position that is who we are," Reiss said.

Pictures of world leaders like Bill Clinton and Vladimir Putin wearing Canada Goose jackets in dire winter settings certainly have beefed up the brand's notoriety and Reiss believes a combination of mystique and utility work

to give the brand it's cachet. "It's not just an image and it's not just a commodi-

ty product. The stories behind it really make it. It's a convergence of fashion and utility, a life-saving product for the people who work in the coldest places in the world," Reiss said.

Canada Goose is part-nered with Polar Bears International, of which Reiss is chairman of the board, to help with conservation of the world's endangered polar bears, two-thirds of which reside in Canada. Reiss says the charity is a perfect match for Canada Goose because the polar bear is a powerful symbol of Canada recognized around the world, much like the Canada Goose brand itself.

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Fanshawe president Howard Rundle vowed that any student implicated in the melee would face academic sanctions. NIC CONSTRUCTING TRADES TRAINING FACILITY: Last week, North Island College began construction of its new skills development and trades training centre at its Comox Valley campus. The facility will house carpentry and multi-purpose workshops, a covered open work area, and three trades training classrooms.

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Super Bowl hurricane set to hit Florida

From Miami up to Fort Lauderdale bracing for the year's biggest party scene

This year's Super Bowl is in Miami but all South Florida wants to play.

The region's three international airports give visitors the flexibility to try a variety of beaches, restaurants and social scenes on the mainland and south into the Florida Keys, said Rodney Barreto, chairman of the South Florida Super Bowl Host Committee.

"It's not a bad place to be entertained while you're waiting for the big game," he savs.

More than 70,000 ticketholders are expected to attend the game, while more than 40,000 extra people will likely show up just for the parties and extracurricular activities, Barreto said. Many will extend their trips to include the Pro Bowl, also being played in Miami, on Jan. 31. Here's a sampling of what they'll find across South Florida: **Football festivities**

The big game doesn't kick off until 6 p.m. on Feb. 7, but the pre-gaming starts days earlier. A Feb. 3 fishing tournament in Miami, organized by the host committee, honours Oakland Raiders linebacker Marquis Cooper, free-agent defensive lineman Corey Smith and former South Florida player William Bleakley, who died last year when their boat overturned off the coast of Florida. Former NFL coach Jimmy Johnson



Grab an open-air table along the Miami strip scene to be seen during Super Bowl weekend.

hosts the Billfish Bowl, Feb. 4 to 6 in Key Largo; the sailfish tournament, billfishbowl.com, benefits Gridiron Greats, an organization helping retired football players with their medical costs.

Only VIP tickets remain for the Taste of the NFL fundraiser for hunger-relief groups on Feb. 6 in Fort Lauderdale. Taste of the NFL invites one chef from each

city with an NFL team to cook with the help of an alumni player (tasteofthenfl.com). A Super Sunday Brunch is planned Feb. 7 at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Holly-

Sightseeing

Let's be honest: People come to South Florida **Super Bowl** to see and be party more seen. Score an outside table at one than a of the Sunday restaurants on Lincoln Road in South Beach and watch

shoppers, dog-walkers and beach-goers traipse by. Lounge chairs for rent on

the beach offer a comfortable view of Miami Beach's best-known tourist attraction: people wearing next to nothing. NFL cheerleaders will show off their, um, skills in a beach competition Jan. 29 in Fort Laud-(battleofthebeauerdale

ties.net). Locals and tourists swarm beneath the neon hotel lights on beachfront Drive in South Beach. A less glitzy strip of hotels and motels is worth a drive across the causeway downtown: the MiMo Biscayne Boulevard Historic District,

Natural Florida

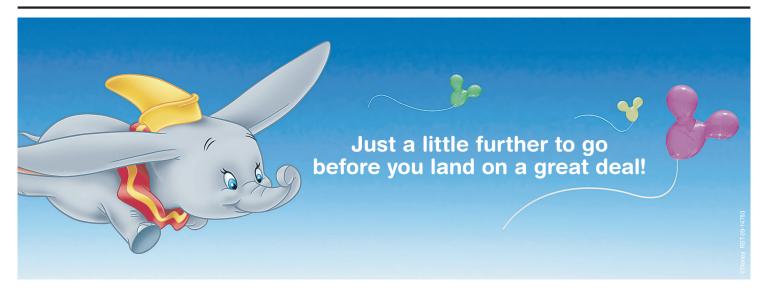


Winter is the most comfortable time of year to visit the Florida Everglades. The best way to traverse its swamps and sawgrass is by air boat. Tiny Coopertown with just eight residents is a tourism hub with air boat tours, a restaurant that serves Everglades delicacies such as frog legs, and an exhibit housing more than a dozen live alligators. (book a tour at coopertownairboats.com). tram carries visitors around a paved, 24-kilometre loop at the Shark Valley

Visitors Center in Ever-National glades (sharkvalleytramtours.com). Bicycles can also take you around the loop, but beware the speed bumps those are alligators sunning themselves next to the pavement.

An entire state park lies underwater off Key Largo. snorkeling, scuba and glass-bottom boat tours launch daily from John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park (pennekamp-

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Casino officials at Caesar's Palace say they are launching a new iPhone app and allowing guests to check into the Las Vegas Strip resort through text messaging. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Winter is perfect in Pacific Northwest

Midwinter's a fine time to daydream about summer backpacking. But if you want to stay at Washington's Enchantment Lakes — and it seems that much of the backpacking world does — you need to wake up and get moving.

Spending the night at one of the most beautiful high-country spots in the Northwest takes hard work, planning and more than a little luck.

You'll need to climb steep, rocky, sometimes slippery trails. You'll al-most certainly need to win a lottery for a permit.

And you need to hurry – the U.S. Forest Service has moved up the window for the permit applications by three weeks to Feb. 1-8.

Every backpacker has favourite camping spots. But for most who ramble in this corner of the country, the Enchantments are on the must-do list.

And that's been the problem. The extremely fragile and, well, enchanting string of lakes nestled in glacier-polished rock in the Cascades are so popular the Forest Service strictly limits the number allowed to camp there — on average, about 60 people can stay each night. Demand is such and to give everyone a fair chance, it has a somewhat complex lottery system for issuing the special permits, which are becoming increasingly difficult to obtain for particular dates

The Enchantments are about 120 kilometres east of Seattle in the Alpine



Steep, rocky and slippery trails mark Washington's Enchantment Lakes.

Wilderness. Crystalline, ice-cold lakes with names like Perfection, Inspiration, Tranquil and Isolation dot a compact, three-kilometre-long basin rimmed by the jagged ridges of Little Annapurna and Prusik, McClellan and Dragontail peaks.

As late as the 1920s, much of the basin above 2,286 metres was covered by glaciers, and plants are only now pioneering rock exposed when the ice receded.

In the lower reaches, there's just enough soil for low shrubs, berry bushes, twisted trees and wildflowers to exploit the few weeks of summer.

You might find a family of mountain goats sharing the narrow trail. Not exactly tame, they seem willing to tolerate visitors as long as they behave themselves.

Reaching paradise is supposed to take effort and the Enchantments are no exception. There are two trails in. From the east, the Snow Lake route climbs about 1,676 metres in 16 kilometres. The Colchuck Lake trail from the northwest gains 1,341 metres in a little about 10 kilometres, but half of that comes in around one kilometre in the final trudge to Aasgard

Rich Haydon, wilderness resource manager with the

Be prepared

 Unless you're a skilled climber or athlete, for average folks this is a tough, steep, and potentially dangerous trip. Have good gear, be ready for snow and be smart enough to bail before you get into trouble.

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, says that despite the sweat required, it's still a relatively short hike to spectacular scenery above the timberline. For some, he says, "A winter trip to go up there to ski would seem reasonable and for other people the middle of summer's too much.

Critical is knowing which one you are. For most people, Haydon says, June and early July before the snow clears is too ear-

Late July through August is the prime season, and while autumn can be beautiful, expect snow by mid-September.

Travelling from lake to lake can require scrambling up rock fields or inching across boulders. People have died doing that. On the basin's east side, you must cross smooth granite that quick-ly tapers from steep to ver-tical — "horrible with a few inches of new snow," Haydon says

Övernight permits are required June 15 through Oct. 15. Last year, Haydon says, about 1,400 group applications were received by the March deadline, about double the number from a decade earlier. Of those, about a third got a permit for the "Core Enchant-ments," the actual high-

country basin, another third got to stay at lakes within day-hiking range and the rest didn't get anything. Adding the small number of permits set aside for daily drawings at the Leavenworth ranger station, about 8,000 people were allowed to camp last season at the Enchantments or nearby lakes. About 3,000 made the trip as a day hike

Applications can't be postmarked before Feb. 1 and must arrive by Feb. 8. Haydon says all go into a great big box and are drawn randomly.

He says most people understand the need for the limits as well as strict "Leave No Trace" rules to prevent crowds, chaos and the "beat-up look" before the wilderness area was created.

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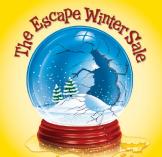
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North Dakota looks for tourist help

North Dakota's tourism is looking for photos, videos and reviews from visitors. State tourism director Sara Otte Coleman says it's part of developing North Dakota's "I Am Legendary" tourism theme. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Da Vinci hits Olympics

anatomical drawings by Leonardo da Vinci is being loaned by the Queen to the Vancouver Art Gallery for display during the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games.

It is the first time ever

that all the drawings of Leonardo's Anatomical Manuscript A, part of the Royal Collection, have been on public view, the gallery says.

The manuscript, a treatise on the human body featuring 240 of Leonardo's pen and ink drawings, was way ahead of its time, says the gallery.

"Virtually every drawing is the finest depiction of a particular structure to that date and, in some cases, for several centuries to come," says curator Martin

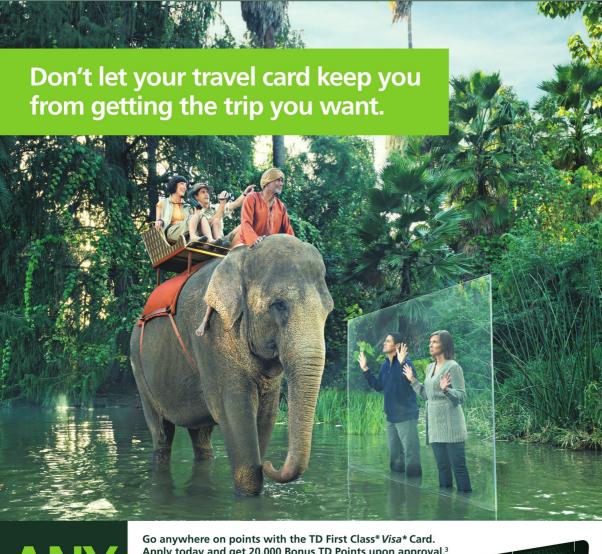
Clayton of the Royal Collection.

In the 1480s Leonardo began planning a treatise on what was the main subiect of Renaissance artists the human body, says the

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Da Vinci's drawings of the human body will be on display during the 2010 Olympic Games in Vancouver.



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World War II battleship re-opens

ніsтоку The battleship where officials from Japan and the Allied Forces signed surrender documents ending the Second World War is reopening after three months of maintenance and repairs.

The former USS Missouri, now called the Battleship Missouri Memorial, came out of drydock last week and will start welcoming visitors again onFriday.

The ship is located in Pearl Harbor, moored a few hundred metres from the USS Arizona, a battleship that sank when Japan attacked Dec. 7, 1941, forcing the U.S. into the war.

The surrender documents were signed on the Missouri's deck on Sept. 2, 1945, in Tokyo

The Missouri also served in the Korean and Persian Gulf wars before being decommissioned in 1992. The memorial opened in January 1999.

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Snow at first sight lists winners

COLD WEATHER People who have never experienced snow before are about to get their chance.

The Colorado Tourism Office announced three winners from its "Snow at First Sight" contest: Trevor Allison, 21, from Atlanta, Ga., Deena Bright, 30, from Hawaii, and Ruchu Adhikary, 25, from Melbourne, Australia.

Applicants were asked to submit videos explaining why they should win. The three winning snow virgins get an expensespaid, three-month trip to Colorado from January through March. With help from local instructors and guides, contest winners will sample winter activities like snowmobiling, skiing, snowshoeing, dogsledding, the all-important apres ski cocktail hour. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bachelor/Bachelorette spin-off

Old rivalries and dramas from past seasons of The Bachelor and The Bachelorette will get new life this year as ABC is creating a spin-off show in which former contestants will live and compete together in a Big Brother-style house. PEOPLE.COM

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Matt Morris' album When **Everything Breaks Open hits** stores today

Ex-Disney kid releases CD on Timberlake label

MUSICE Justin Timberlake, Christina Aguilera and others went on to pop stardom after appearing on The All New Mickey Mouse Club as kids.

Co-star Matt Morris just wanted to go home to Denver. "I didn't want to rush toward a rich-and-famous contract," said Morris, now 30, tattooed and married, with a dark beard framing a grin. "I just wanted to go to high

He kept in touch though, writing songs with and for Timberlake and Aguilera over the

Now Morris is releasing his own full-length album – out today — on Timberlake's Tennman Records. When Everything Breaks Open is the first fulllength national release for Timberlake's label.

"I've never been treated like someone who gets a free ride just because I'm a friend," Morris said of Timberlake. "We've held each other to a really high standard, even when we were kids. We don't just let things slide.

"I've known Matt since I was 10," Timberlake said in an email, "so we've watched each other grow up with music around us constantly. It goes without saying that I think Matt is beyond gifted, and it's just nice to have a forum where he can put his music out and trust the person taking care of it."

Morris got his start in music early. Dad is country musician Gary Morris and Mom sings and plays piano. As his mother tells it, she would sing a note to him in her arms when he was a baby and he would sing it back.

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Chan takes on love, kids

Action star proves he's got acting chops too in new domestic role

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In his latest stunt-filled movie, The Spy Next Door, Jackie Chan adds a new element to his usual bag of tricks: A love inter-

In the film — opening Friday — Chan stars as a retired spy trying to woo a single mother and win over her three young children when his old job comes back to haunt him.

Chan talked to Metro about working with kids, dealing with new technology and why you won't see him doing a nude scene anytime soon.

How was it working with the kids?

Difficult. The Spy On set sometimes, I'd want to take a rest for 20 minutes, but then it's, "Jackie, I want to learn some karate." "Jackie, I want to do this," "Show me magic." I had prepared all these tricks to entertain them. It's not easy being a babysitter. Besides, I have to protect them on the set, with all the action sequences. I make sure everybody's safe, especially the children. I have to be very care-

How important is it to vary the types of films you make?

I think for the last see there are different Jackie Chans. In Japan, I made a very heavy drama called Shinjuku Incident - not for children. I wantwhat I can do. After that, I made The Spy Next Door, then a black comedy, then the Karate Kid. I want the audience to know I'm a true actor who can fight, not a fighter who can act. Just like Robert De Niro. I want to be an actor. An actor can work forever. An action star's life is very

Do advances in special effects make your job eas-

Yes and no. I want learn to some things about special effects. Last year or two years ago, I cannot remember, I visited James Cameron's set for Avatar. I've been making movies for 47 years. After I

looked at his set, I was just like a kid in kinder-Next Door garten. You give me all that technoloopens in theatres on gy, I don't know Friday how to use it.

That's why I film the basic things. Simple, two cameras. So all those years I've just been doing Jackie Chan-style action. I would like to do these kinds of things, but I

This is the first time you've had a serious love inter-

Finally, yes. In my movies, we don't have kissing scenes or making love scenes. We things. I don't think audimy movies. A small kissing rather do action sequences.





Renowned martial artist and actor Jackie Chan takes on a role that includes a love interest and kids in The Spy Next Door. The film features Chan as a retired spy trying to woo a single mother.



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NBC goes back to the script

With Leno gone, dramas ready to make a comeback

Drama is already back on NBC at 10 p.m.

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That was one of many wisecracks launched by Jay Leno after NBC announced that next month Leno will be given the heave-ho from prime time and returned to late night after a disastrous experiment slotting his cheap-to-make but ratings-challenged talk show weeknights at 10 p.m. ET this season.

With that proclamation from the network, overjoyed producers of scripted drama could again look forward to getting a crack at those 10 p.m. hours, as they had before The Jay Leno Show took up residence with loads of hype last September.

"We understand that our scripted shows have to compete with reality shows and other things to get on the schedule, but now we have a shot," said Shawn Ryan, creator of the FX cop drama The Shield and currently an executive producer of Fox's crime drama Lie to Me. On Monday, Ryan called NBC's abrupt about-



Cop drama Southland was bumped by The Jay Leno Show

face "a little bit of restoring

the natural order."

Until then, Southland stood as a chilling object lesson in how scripted shows (and the people who make them) were fated to be treated by NBC.

Created by John Wells, Southland is a gritty police drama that inherited the Thursday-at-10-p.m. hour occupied by ER, Wells'

long-running megahit, when it concluded its run last April. Airing six episodes, Southland scored critical praise and enough viewers to win a fall pick-

up. But by October, when NBC was about to begin the series' second season at 9 p.m. Friday (the new Leno Show poached its original slot),

"Our scripted shows have to compete... but now we have a shot."

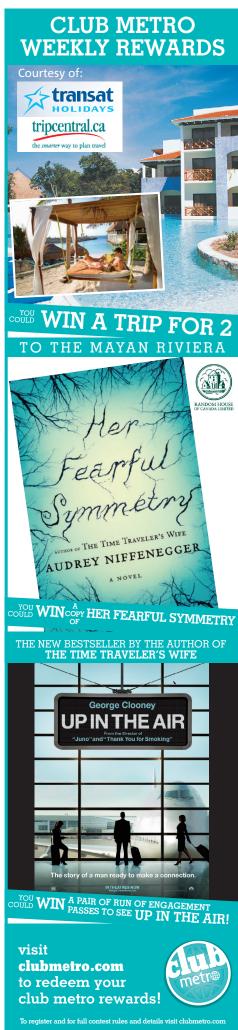
Producer Shawn Ryan

the network announced the show was being cancelled. A marginal ratings performer suited to a later time slot NBC could no longer offer, Southland was bumped for an edition of Dateline NBC. "I'm disappointed that NBC no longer has the time periods available to support the kind of critically acclaimed series that were for so many years a hallmark of their success,' Wells said at the time. He vowed to try to find it a new home.

By November, Southland had been snapped up by TNT, the Time Warnerowned cable network. It was scheduled to air on TNT Tuesdays at 10 p.m., starting this very week.

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Strong, but losing ground

With Cowell leaving, American Idol faces challenges

With Simon Cowell's days numbered and Paula Abdul already gone, this season is shaping up to be the end of an era for the mostpopular show in the United States, Fox's American Idol.

But when it comes to living up to its title — creating a superstar act that captures the imagination of millions — the power of Idol has been ebbing for years. (The new season of Idol started last night.)

While the show produced multiplatinum sensations in its earlier days, starting with Kelly Clarkson and ending with Carrie Underwood, recent Idol winners or runners-up have not had similar chart success.

Kris Allen, last year's champion, has sold about 200,000 copies of his debut album. And while his Idol runner-up, Adam Lambert, proved to be more popular and controversial, even his debut hasn't stayed at the top of the charts for long

charts for long.

"When you start thinking about American Idol as a place that feeds the music business, it's not as much as people think it is," said Howard Benson, who produced the first two CDs for Idol finalist Chris Daughtry's multiplatinum band, Daughtry. "It's fallen

Of course, "fallen off" is all relative when you're talking about a show that's been the undisputed ratings champion since it debuted in 2003.

It has produced millions and millions in albums sales, Grammy Awards and even an Oscar winner in Jennifer Hudson, who is also a Grammy winner and successful recording artist. Even the also-rans of "Idol" have managed to parlay a stint on the show into career success.

"It is by far still the most

watched show on TV even more watched in some years than the Academy Awards and the Grammys or anything like that' says Ann Donahue, senior editor at Billboard magazine

"But actually translating those people who watch the show into buying albums remains difficult."

Like the rest of the music industry, Idol is battling a decline in

music sales. But even taking that into account, the dropoff in sales and buzz for Idol winners is telling.

When Clarkson became the show's first winner in 2003, her album, Thankful, debuted at No. 1 and sold a healthy 297,000 copies, and had hits like A Moment Like This and Miss Independent. It went on to sell 2.7 million copies, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

The next year, champ Ruben Studdard sold 1.8 million and had the hit Sorry 2004. Clay Aiken, that year's runner-up, did even better, selling 2.7 million copies of his CD Measure of a Man.

Studdard was followed by Fantasia, whose Free Yourself also sold 1.8 million and had the R&B hit Free Yourself. Underwood established herself as the show's most successful winner country debut sold nearly seven million copies



Simon Cowell



Kelly Clarkson



Jennifer Hudson

major crossover hits like Jesus Take the Wheel and Before He Cheats.

But next winner, Taylor Hicks, was a major disappointment, selling 700,000 copies of his self-titled debut. Jordin Sparks followed with a platinum self-titled debut CD and hit songs, while David Cook had a platinum CD, also self-titled but without the hits. This year, Idol champ Kris Allen released his selftitled CD to little fanfare. It didn't debut at the top of the charts and now sits at No. 91 on Billboard's Hot 200 albums chart and hasn't generated a top hit thus far. In a recent in-

terview, Underwood said being on Idol'' is not a guarantee of success, even if you have a hit debut.

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Polanski sues over photos

LAWSUIT The news snapshot shows Roman Polanski standing at a window, a thin slice of his face visible amid an opening in the curtains. The French paper that printed the photo saw it as a newsworthy depiction of the director's life under house arrest in his Swiss Alpine chalet.

Lawyers for the Chinatown director say that the December 2009 photo and many others invaded his

privacy as well as his family's, and he and his wife are suing four French publications, two newspa-

pers and Roman two maga- Polanski zines for a

total of about \$224,000 US. In a hearing yesterday, Polanski lawyer Marion Gregoire said the suits were an attempt to put an urgent stop to the media spotlight on the filmmaker and his family that has intensified in the months since a 32-year-old sex case against him was revived.

"The legal case against Polanski in no way justifies the paparazzi's stalking of his wife and children," Gregoire said.

Polanski's had lived for three decades before he was arrested in September on a U.S. warrant while en route to a Swiss film festival. He spent more than 60 days in detention in a Swiss jail before being transferred to house arrest in his Swiss vacation home. The ASSOCIATED PRESS





Vatican slams Avatar for eco-spiritualism message

MOVIES The Vatican newspaper and radio station have called the film Avatar simplistic and criticized it for flirting with modern doctrines that promote the worship of nature as a substitute for religion.

L'Osservatore Romano and Vatican Radio dedicated ample coverage to James Cameron's big-grossing, 3-D spectacle. But the reviews were lukewarm, calling the movie superficial in its eco-message, despite groundbreaking visual effects.

L'Osservatore said the film "gets bogged down by a spiritualism linked to the worship of nature." Similarly, Vatican Radio said it "cleverly winks at all those pseudo-doctrines that turn ecology into the religion of the millennium."

"Nature is no longer a creation to defend but a divinity to worship," the radio said. A Vatican spokesperson said that "Nature is no longer a creation to defend, but a divinity to worship."

Vatican Radio

while the movie reviews are just that — film criticism, with no theological weight — they do reflect Pope Benedict XVI's views on the dangers of turning

nature into a "new divinitv."

In a recent World Day of Peace message, the pontiff warned against any notions that equate human person and other living things. He said such notions "open the way to a new pantheism tinged with neo-paganism, which would see the source of man's salvation in nature alone."

The Vatican newspaper occasionally likes to com-

ment in its cultural pages on movies or pop culture

In one famous instance, several Vatican officials spoke out against The Da Vinci Code. In this case, the reviews came out after a red carpet preview held in Rome just a stone's throw from St. Peter's Square.

The story of the tall blue creatures who inhabit Pandora and contend with humans intent on grabbing

the resources of their planet has made over \$1.1 billion at box offices worldwide. Partly boosted by higher 3-D ticket prices, Avatar looks well on its way to becoming the biggest grossing movie of all time. "So much stupefying, enchanting technology, but few genuine emotions," said L'Osservatore Romano, which devoted three articles to Avatar" in its Sunday editions.

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Dodging an awkward social bullet

Jennifer Aniston won't have to avoid ex Brad Pitt — or Angelina Jolie — at next Sunday's Golden Globe Awards. Neither Pitt nor Jolie will be in attendance at the event. PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Celeb**Tweets**

STAN LEE isn't much of a negotiator, JESSI-SON is having one heck of a

new year, SARAH **SILVERMAN** is thinking of others in need, and "WEIRD" AL YANKOVIC is having trouble adjusting to 2010.

@smilinstanlee My mind wanders at business meetings. Everyone's discussing budgets and I'm wondering why that guy's wearing such a funny looking tie.

@JessicaSimpson Something about 2010 makes me feel like a child again..enchanted places with brighter colors turning my dreams into a vivid picture book :)

@SarahKSilverman I'm hungry. Like, I'm getting super peckish. But it humbles me because I realize like, this is what life's like in Darfur all the time.

@alyankovic It's already the second week of January and I'm still writing 1983 on my checks.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Set to say 'I do' again?

TEACH YOU ANYTHING? Paul this month to McCartney is reportedly discuss their making secret preparafuture tions to marry U.S. gether with heiress Nancy Shevell, his chilfemalefirst.co.uk dren. ports. "Paul and The Beatles legend is Nancy's relasaid to be keen to tie the tionship rock solid and knot for a third time with Shevell, his girlfriend of there's nearly two years, and no organized a family meet up in

a friend of the 67-year-old musician told the Daily Express newspaper.

"Next year has certainly been mentioned as the most likely time, but neither of them want some big deal made out of it.

'It's almost certainly going to be done very discreetly over in the U.S. and Paul would ideally like to do it without any publicity beforehand, but whether he could pull that off is another matter"

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Diamonds are not forever

ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU KEEP THEM IN YOUR GLOVEBOX Usher claims he was the victim of a serious Christmastime jewel heist when someone jacked \$1,000,000 in jewellery from the back of his car, TMZ is reporting.

The website says it all went down in Atlanta on Dec. 14, when Usher and a friend were in an AT&T store and someone broke into his GMC Yukon and took whatever

they could get.

According to the police report, Usher claims the bandit made off with all sorts of Christmas gifts and personal belongings including \$50,000 US in furs, a computer and more than a million bucks in jewellery that he hap-

pened to have in the car at the time. The website says Usher told police he's

worried about some never-before heard voice tracks that were on the computer. METRO

NEWS SERVICES

Channing's scalding hot incident

IT'S NOT FUNNY, REALLY In the February issue of Details, actor Channing Tatum, 29, opens up about surviving a accident that caused severe burns to his penis, people.com reports.

The incident happened when he was shooting the drama The Eagle of the Ninth last October in the freezing cold Highlands. Scottish

"The only way to keep warm was by pouring a mix of boiling water and river water down your suit," Tatum, 29, tells the

magazine. 'We were finally done shoot ing for the day, and one of the crew guys asks if I want to warm up before I go. ľm like. 'Nah, I'm

good'. And then I thought, Why not?

'Thing is, he'd forgotten to dilute the kettle water," he continues. "So he poured scalding water down my suit.

Tatum was rushed to the nearest hospital — an hour away — and morphine eventually did the trick to dull the pain, he says, but it was still embarrassing

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Please don't have any kids

THIS TIME THE VOWS WILL **STICK**, **RIGHT?** Amy Winehouse is reportedly returning to her Caribbean hideout in St. Lucia to remarry ex-husband Blake Fielder-Civil, according to the Daily Mail. Winehouse spent most of 2009 camped out at an island resort trying to clean up her act.

But the ceremony will have to wait, as Fielder-Civil has another month to go on his

court-appointed rehab program. Winehouse report-edly told a friend, "Every-

thing feels right with Blake now. As soon as he's cleared to leave country the and his drug rehab done, it will happen."

METRO NEWS

Family first, but which one?

KEEPIN' THE HOME FIRES BURNING His rekindled romance with Sienna Miller reportedly has

Iude Law thinking about settling down again, cording Hollyscoop. The Sherlock Holmes star is

thinking of proposing, sources say.

'Sienna was always the one. And now she is back in his life he never wants to let her go again," one source confirms.

"Jude did some serious thinking over Christmas in Britain with his ex-wife Sadie (Frost) and the kids. And he realizes just how

important family life is to him."

METRO WORLD NEWS



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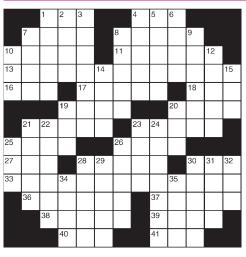












Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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- 10 Hot box? 11 Approach the curb
- 13 Noted Texas musician/novelist/politician 16 South Bend's
- 17 Moves like a moth
- 18 Story of a lifetime?
- 19 Two-way 20 Deserve 21 Like Shirley Temple's hair 23 Coffin stands 25 Broadway
- award 26 Make fun of 27 Pretend
- 28 Expiate 30 Dandy musician
- 33 "Yakety Sax" 36 Poets' name

- for England 37 Tire pattern 38 Column fea-
- tures 39 Leave a lasting impression? 40 Agent, for short

41 Request

- 1 Pooch
- 2 Barnyard sound
- 3 Frolicsome 4 Some produce
- 5 Saint honored on Sept. 1
- 6 Maintained 7 He slew 25% of the world's
- population 8 Time for foolishness?
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- 12 Two-somes
- 14 TV chef Bob-
- 15 "Smoking or

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

- 19 Parch 20 "A mouse!" 21 Winter
- warmer 22 Incalculable
- 23 Former European capital city 24 Summertime
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- 28 In reserve 29 Scout unit
- 30 Particle 31 Colorful fish
- 32 Third degree?
- 34 Mountain

transport 35 Scraps

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Take Five



Mandarin Turkey with Bean Sprout and Watercress Salad

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 skinless boneless turkey breasts
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) chopped fresh rosemary 1 tsp (5 mL) crushed chili flakes
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) coriander seeds, coarsely crushed 2 tbsp (25 mL) olive oil 4 mandarin oranges 14 oz (400 g) bean sprouts 2 2/3 oz (75 g) watercress 8 scallions, sliced 4 tsp (20 mL) sugar 8 tbsp (125 mL)

mayonnaise

- 1. Put turkey steaks into shallow dish. Sprinkle with rosemary, crushed chili flakes, coriander seeds and 1 tbsp (15 mL) oil Season and turn to distribute seasonings.
- 2. Peel mandarins, then

slice in half across middle and discard seeds.

- 3. Mix sprouts, watercress and scallions; divide among four plates.
- 4. Heat frying pan over high heat. Brush turkey with remaining oil. Cook over high heat until well browned and cooked through. Transfer to plates.
- 5. Add mandarin halves to pan, cut side down, and cook 30-60 seconds. Transfer to plates, browned side up, and top each half with 1/2 tsp (2 mL) sugar. Add dollop of mayonnaise to each plate. Serve.

SERVES 4

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ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

You enjoy upsetting the odds and doing what others say cannot be done. You'll enjoy today.

LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

You've had to hold back from showing your true feelings in recent weeks but now you will most likely go right the other way and be emotional in the

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

Do something different today, something no one would expect of someone as self-controlled as you.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

Put money worries and work issues firmly behind you today and do something that makes you feel good about yourself.

GEMINI

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MAY 22-JUNE 21 If you want to impress a person who means a lot to you today then do whatever it takes and don't worry how much it might cost

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WHO SPENT HER LIFE

TRYING TO GET RID OF HER PEAR SHAPE

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Promise yourself here and now that no matter what happens today you won't take it too seriously and you won't take it too personally.

CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 22

You have nothing to worry about and everything to look forward to, so cheer up and focus on all the good things that will be coming into your life.

CAPRICORN

This is a thoroughly enjoyable time for you and it will get more enjoyable still over the next few days.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

Whatever problems you face today you must approach them from all possible angles. Don't limit your options.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18
You won't hesitate to help someone in need today, but the planets warn that a lot of their problems are of their own

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

Maybe you're in one of those moods when you enjoy wallowing in self-pity. If so, snap out of Wallow instead in the wonder of the world

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